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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The purpose of this amendment is to remove the acronym ARC and replace it with the words "anti-reflective coating." It is noted that the meaning of ARC is mentioned, for example, in line 16 on page 1 of the application.

The early issuance of an action on the merits of the claims of the instant application, is requested.

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